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LOURENCO MARQUES LUANDA FROM USUN NEW YORK 19 MAY 73:

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SUBJECT: SR IN SC: SECOND SPECAIL REPORT OF SANCTIONS COMITE

1. SC MET MAY 18 AND WAS EXPECTED TO VOTE TWO DRAFT RESES
BUT AT LAST MINUTE POSTPONED VOTE UNTIL MAY 22 AT REQUEST OF
KENYA. REASON FOR KENYAN REQUEST OF POSTPONEMENT WAS BECAUSE,
IN KENYAN' S WORDS, AF' S AND OTHERS WISHED TO PREPARE THEMSELVES
FULLY TO CHALLENGE VETO OF ONE OF THEIR RESES. ODERO- JOWI
(KENYA) SAID THAT IF " WE ALLOW OURSELVES TO BE PUSHED AROUND
WHEN PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER ARE BEING SACRIFICED THIS
IS VERY SERIOUS AFFAIR. " HE SAID IT NECESSARY PREPARE FULL-
SCALE DEBATE.

2. DECISION TO REQUEST POSTPONEMENT CAME LATE IN MEETING
AFTER SC HAD SUSPENDED ITS MEETING FOR ABOUT FORTY MINUTES.
DURING SUSPENSION AF' S HAD GONE INTO CONSULTATION WITH AUSTRAL-
IANS AND AUSTRIANS AND OTHERS. AUSTRALIAN REP REPORTED
THAT AF' S HAD GOTTEN CLEAR INDICATION OF POSSIBLE VETO

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OF SECOND RES WHICH CALLED FOR EXTENSION OF SANCTIONS TO SOUTH AFRICA AND PORTUGUESE TERRITORIES. DISCUSSION DURING CONSULTATIONS WITH AUSTRIA AND AUSTRALIA THEN REVOLVED AROUND WHAT SHOULD BE DONE. AUSTRALIAN PERREP REPORTED THAT BOTH AUSTRALIA AND AUSTRIA ARGUED STRONGLY FOR DROPPING SECOND RES. AF' S HOWEVER WERE DISINCLINED TO DO SO. AF' S THEN DECIDED THAT THEY WOULD REQUEST POSTPONEMENT OF VOTE SO THAT THEY COULD PREPARE THEMSELVES FOR " CHALLENGING VETO".

3. PRIOR TO SEC DEBATE FRENCH HAD TRIED TO SEEK TO CHANGE PARA 4 B AND PARA 5 IN RES APPROVING REPORT. AF' S HOWEVER REJECTED PROPOSAL. FRENCH HAD SAID THAT IF THEY GOT CHANGES THEY WOULD THEN VOTE IN FAVOR OF RES.

4. SITUATION NOW STANDS AS FOLLOWS; UK WILL ABSTAIN ON RES APPROVING REPORT AND VETO RES EXTENDING SANCTIONS. FRENCH WILL ABSTAIN ON BOTH. AUSTRALIA WILL VOTE IN FAVOR ON BOTH. AUSTRIA WILL VOTE IN FAVOR OF RES ON REPORT AND ABSTAIN ON RES EXTENDING SANCTIONS. ALL OTHER DELS WILL VOTE IN FAVOR OF RESES EXCEPT US. DO NOT EXPECT EITHER RES TO BE CHANGED AND EXPECT BOTH RESES TO BE PUSHED TO VOTE. NEXT MEETING OF SC SCHEDULED FOR 10:30 AM MAY 22. SCALI UNQUOTE RUSH

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